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THE LARGEST CIRCULATION  
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## NEWS SUMMARY.

General Sherman has had enough of Madrid. A daily penny paper has been started in San Francisco.

Barnum is leaving New York with his show never to return, as he says.

The withdrawal of Mr. Hepworth from the Unitarian Church is creating a sensation.

A mail pouch has been found in the postoffice at Knoxville, Illinois, containing 300 letters, many of them valuable. It has been there three years.

## THE ONE-TERM PRINCIPLE.

The proposed Amendment to the Constitution limiting the service of the President of the United States to a single term, presents a question not at all new in the political history of our government. The whole subject was as fully and ably discussed in the convention of 1787 as it could be now. Upon the knowledge then available, our fathers resolved to place no such restrictions upon the popular will, but to trust to the good judgment and patriotic purposes of the people to choose for that important position only those who were worthy and capable. The principal argument then advanced in favor of the one-term principle, was that it would prevent a designing President from securing a re-election by a corrupt use of the patronage at his disposal. Other arguments were used—that it would prevent a Chief Magistrate not capable for his duties from foisting himself upon the people, &c.—but they are hardly worth considering, for they are based upon the supposition that the people are incompetent to choose their chief ruler. It is folly to argue upon such a premise, for if it were true, it would be as good an argument for a monarchy as for the one-term principle. The argument at first stated is the one most worthy of consideration. The inauguration of the new civil service regulations takes even from it most all the weight it has heretofore received. This reform, taking from the President the power of appointing mere place hunters—men making politics their trade—to office, removes the great corrupting influence from this high position. To make promotions and appointments to civil offices depend upon merit and fidelity, insures a stable tenure and an honest discharge of public trusts. If these results are secured, it matters less whether the appointees are adherents of the President in office or not.

There is a reasonable certainty that this reform will succeed, and therefore the greatest argument in favor of limiting the term of service to one term falls. But weighing this argument by the experience of the past, with the corrupting temptation alluded to, constantly before the President, it proves far less dangerous than supposed. The American people are intelligent and patriotic, and they may safely be trusted to dismiss from further service a Chief Magistrate, so false and weak as to use his powers for selfish or corrupt purposes. They have shown that they possess these virtues, for they have never called to a second term an unfaithful President. Senator Conkling, in his recent argument on this amendment in the Senate, reviews our political history and presents for consideration the significant fact, that of the twelve Presidents who have served out their full term, six of them only were elected to second terms, and these six representing the ablest and most worthy of the distinguished list. Washington, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, Jackson and Lincoln were those whose fidelity to their trusts gave them a second term. If we look over these names and recall the circumstances under which they were re-elected, it suggests the fact that if the people had then been restricted in their choice, by the amendment now proposed, it might have proven disastrous to the government itself. Conspicuously so, would this have been true in the case of Mr. Lincoln, and it certainly would have been unfortunate, to say the very least, in the cases of Washington and Jackson. If, in 1864, when the country was convulsed by a terrible civil war, when the very fate of free institutions trembled in the balance, when every patriot's eye was turned upon Abraham Lincoln, in whose judgment, fidelity and ability all had confidence, the people could not have re-instated him, thereby to proclaim to the rebellious South that the policy of his administration would be pursued even to the end, who can tell what would have been the result? The critical danger, a limitation upon the popular will would have subjected us to, outweigh by far the remote and speculative dangers of a possible corrupt use of the patronage that might be made by an unfaithful President, and proves the wisdom of the framers of the constitution in reposing in this, as in other respects, confidence in the discrimination of our people. We can see no new reason now to necessitate the change proposed by Mr. Sumner; on the contrary, we believe that now, more than ever, we are about to inaugurate a reform of our civil service, are the reasons for such a change fewer and weaker.

On Friday last Senator Brownlow presented to the Senate a numerous signed petition from citizens of this State, late soldiers in the Federal army, asking to be allowed to enter lands granted by Congress without the requirement of settlement and cultivation, and also a bounty of eight dollars a month to honorably discharged soldiers, for the term of their actual service. The petition was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

We are indebted to Hon. Horace May-

nard for a copy of Secretary Boutwell's report, in which he recommends among other things the appropriation of \$100,000 for the continuation of construction of the Court-House and Postoffice building at this place, a work for which we are mainly indebted to Mr. Maynard. So it will be seen that our Representatives are by no means idle to the interests of their constituents.

## The Custom House in New York.

The reply to the charges about the corruption of the New York Custom House, the following figures giving the expenditures under Democratic and Republican administrations is suggestive. Smythe was Johnson's appointee:

The Committee received a tabular statement of the number of persons employed, and the removals from the custom-house under the last six Collectors. The number of removals under Murphy were 38 per cent., of those under Grinnell 57 per cent., and of those under Smythe 87 per cent. The cost of collection under Draper was 3.24 per cent., under Smythe 1.36, under Grinnell 1.59, and under Murphy 1.55. The receipts under Grinnell were \$178,983,285, under Murphy \$202,790,074.

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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